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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

WEBSTER

Appln. No.: 09/723,326

Filed: November 28, 2000

FOR: A MOLECULAR SWITCH FOR

REGULATING MAMMALIAN GENE

EXPRESSION

June 7, 2001

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is a Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, <u>prompt</u> notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under 37 CFR § 1.97(f), to enable Applicants to comply fully.

Contingent IDS Request Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c): Should a first Office Action on the merits have been mailed before today, please consider this a request under Rule 97(c) to consider this IDS in lieu of certification and charge the Rule 17(p)

Official fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 070373/0268461 for which purpose this paper is submitted in duplicate.

Should a Notice of Allowance have been issued on the same day as or before the filing date of this IDS, please consider this a Petition under 37 CFR § 1.97(d),

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charge the petition fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 070373/0268461, and proceed to consider this IDS.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures, as well as the return of a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials per MPEP § 609, are earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if further information is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

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